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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

*In re Application of:* )  
: Examiner: E.K. Nicholson  
**DIEGO DELL'ERBA ET AL.** ) Group Art Unit: 3679  
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Application No.: 10/682,520 )  
Filed: **October 10, 2003** :  
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For: **THREADED PIPE WITH SURFACE** : March 16, 2005  
**TREATMENT**

**Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2004, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following amendments and remarks.